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Hon. Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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1. Small Entity claim

AMENDMENT LETTER

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

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11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)						+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)x \$750/375 ea						+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)						+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for						+ \$0	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following claim amendments:

9. (Three Times Amended) A system, comprising:

a server computer;

at least two personal computers connected to the server computer through a network;

the server computer having a first mechanism for said server computer to function as a master in a shared processing operation involving the at least two personal computers at least portions of said personal computers functioning as slaves to said master;

at least one of the personal computers including a wireless network connection capable of coupling the personal computers to one or more of the other personal computers via the network; and

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